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the Hepatic Lipase Promoter

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Dear Sir:

As prosecution in the above-referenced application is closed as defined under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (b), Applicants respectfully request continued examination of the above-referenced application.

In connection with the Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") submitted herewith, Applicants provide an Amendment and Response responsive to the Final Office Action of *July 30, 2004* (hereinafter "Office Action") as the submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-referenced application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on *page 3* of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on *page 8* of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on *page 12* of this paper.

Reconsideration of the instant application in light of the above is respectfully  
requested.